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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows.

## In the Specification:

Page 5, line 25, add the following paragraph:

Fig. 4 is a schematic flowchart diagram illustrating the steps performed to determine whether the target power generation amount has changed.

## **REMARKS**

Preliminary to examination of this application, please amend the specification to add a brief description of Figure 4. Support for the foregoing amendment can be

found on page 14 of the application. The above amendment introduces no new subject matter.

Entry of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment is in order and requested.

If there are any questions regarding the proposed amendment to the application, we invite the Examiner to call Applicants' representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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